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In re Application of:)
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Kenji UKAI et al.) Group Art Unit: 1745
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For: SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELL)
HAVING A SUPPORTED)
ELECTROLYTE FILM)
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Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, replace the last paragraph bridging page 4 with the following new paragraph:

In the fuel electrode substrate 34 for the SOFC 30 having a supported electrolyte film, a cermet comprising nickel and yttria-stabilized zirconia (referred to as 8YSZ hereinafter), which has a composition of ZrO_2 containing 8 mol % Y_2O_3 , is employed. 8YSZ is also commonly used for the electrolyte film 32. (For example, refer to "SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELL VI", S. C. Singhal, M. Dokiya (ed.), p822-p829.)

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